**Encouraging Naturopathy and Yoga**

2006. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the steps being taken to encourage Naturopathy and Yoga?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): With a view to initiate, aid and coordinate scientific research in different aspects of Yoga and Naturopathy and to promote the related institutions, the Government have established Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy in New Delhi. The Council has been rendering financial assistance to Yoga and Naturopathy institutions in various parts of the country for conducting research and training. It has also been decided to set up a National Institute of Naturopathy at Pune for development of Naturopathy as a system of medicine.

Another Institute, namely Central Research Institute for Yoga has already been set up in New Delhi for conducting and coordinating research in the science of Yoga in all its aspects.

**Linking of Vellore, Salem and certain other major towns of Tamil Nadu by Air**

2007. SHRI T.A. MOHAMMED SAQHY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to link Vellore, Salem and four other major towns of Tamil Nadu by air; and

(b) if so, by when a final decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Madras, Coimbatore, Madurai, Trichy, Tanjore and Neyveli are already in the airmap of Tamil nadu. Further, Tirunelvelli, Chettinad, Tuticorin, Vellore, Erode, Salem and Ramanathapuram in the State have been identified for airlinking by Vayudoot Limited during the Eighth Five Year Plan.

**Changes in flight timings between Hyderabad and Vijayawada**

2008. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many changes have taken place in the Indian Airlines flight timings between Hyderabad and Vijayawada; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the reasons for such frequent changes?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Indian Airlines discontinued air services through Vijayawada with effect from the 16th of April, 1989 and handed over the Avro aircraft and route to Vayudoot.

**Connecting flights at Hyderabad airport for Vijayawada**

2009. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any connecting flights at Hyderabad airport for Vijayawada passengers travelling from Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta and vice-versa; and

(b) if not, what steps are being taken to provide such connecting flights?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY) (a) and (b) Indian Airlines is not operating any air service to/from Vijayawada. Vayudoot is operating the following services to/from Vijayawada connecting Hyderabad:-

| Services & timings | | | Stations | | Services & timings | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PF-625 Mon, Wed, Fri Avro | PF- 607 Tue, Thurs, Sat, Sun Avro | | | | PF-626 Mon, Wed, Fri Avro | PF-608 Tue, Thurs, Sat, Sun Avro |
| 1030 | 0900 | D | Hyderabad | A | 1350 | 1610 |
| | | A | Rajamundry | D | | |
| | | D | | A | | |
| 1140 | 1000 | A | Vijayawada | D | 1250 | 1510 |
| 1200 | 1020 | D | | A | | 1450 |
| 1230 | 1130 | A | Tirupati | D | | 1340 |
| | 1150 | D | | A | | 1320 |
| | 1220 | A | Madras | D | | 1250 |

At Hyderabad passengers desiring to go to Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta or coming from these cities and intending to go to Vijayawada have connections on Indian Airlines services. However, it is not practicable to provide convenient connections, particularly in view of severe capacity constraints.

**Emoluments paid to Interns and House Surgeons**

2010. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what monthly emoluments are being paid to interns and house surgeons in the Nehru Homoeopathy College, New Delhi;

(b) what emoluments are being paid to interns and house surgeons working in Safdarjang and Jai Parkash Narain Hospital and also in AIIMS:

(c) whether interns and house surgeons, in different hospitals are being paid at different rates; if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take so that the interns and house surgeons in all hospitals get equal pay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD) : (a) The interns and House physicians in Nehru Homoeopathy Medical College and Hospital, New Delhi, are paid Rs. 550/ and Rs. 650/- per month respectively.

(b) and (c) The interns borne on the strength of the Central Government institutions/hospitals under the control of Ministry of health and Family Welfare including statutory and autonomous bodies are paid Rs. 1300/-per month with effect from 1-1-1989. The House Surgeons (Jr. Residents First year) are paid Rs. 2630/- per month. The above rates are also applicable to the medical institutions/Hospitals under the Delhi Administration.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration of the Central Government in this regard.

**Status Report on Pesticides**

2011. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have received the status report on pesticides brought out in 1987 and accepted by the department of Science and Technology; and

(b) whether any follow-up action has been taken on the recommendations contained therein; if so, what are the